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Mayor/Council Workshop Meeting

Monday December 5, 2011 7:30 p.m.

Mayor/Council Meeting

Wednesday December 21, 2011 8:00 p.m.

Mayor/Council Meeting Wednesday January 18, 2012 8:00 p.m.

### **UP AND COMING EVENTS**

"BINGO 60+ Plus Club—Thursday December 1st, 2011 (See page 5)
Forest Heights Jewelry Sale December 3, 2011 (See page 6)
Forest Heights 60+ Club Holiday Dinner Wednesday December 7th, 2011 (See page 7)
Neighborhood Watch Meeting Wednesday December 7th, 2011 (See page 7)
Prince George's One Stop Career Center Tuesday December 20th, 2011 (See page 6)
A Day of Bowling Wednesday 28, 2011 (See page 7)

### **DECEMBER 2011**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Bingo 60+ Club 10:00 a.m1:30 p.m. Money Due for Share Food Pro- gram	2 Money Due for Share Food Program	3 Jewelry Sale 8:30 a.m3:00 p.m.
4	5 Mayor/ Council Work- shop Meeting 7:30 p.m. Trash/Recycle	6	7 60+ Holiday Dinner Neighborhood Watch Meeting Last day to register for Medicare Part D prescription drug plan Yard Waste	8 Bulk Trash	9	10
11	12 Trash/ Recycle	13	14 Yard Waste	15 Bulk Trash	16	17 Pickup your Package from Share Food
18	19 Trash/ Recycle	20 Prince George's One Stop Career	21 Mayor/Council Meeting 8:00 p.m.	22 Bulk Trash	23	24
25	26 Town Hall Closed	27 Trash	28 Yard Waste	29 Bulk Trash	30	31

Forest Heights Community Development Corporation December 27-30, 2011 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. age 8-16yrs.

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### **TOWN COUNCIL**

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### **PUBLIC WORKS**

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### POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Latessa Crawford, Police Clerk—ext. 225 LCrawford@forestheightsmd.gov

> Citizens Hotline—ext. 306 ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES

> > **Phone (301) 839-1030** 8:30a.m.—5:00 p.m.

Eastover District IV Police (301) 749-4900 EMERGENCY DIAL 911 NON-EMERGENCY 301-333-4000



### **Forest Heights Police Department**

During the month of November, the FHPD will be finalizing the administrative portion of the Surveillance Camera project. On Wednesday, November 30, 2011 at roughly 12 noon, the FHPD as well as the PGPD responded to the 100 block of Rolph Drive for a report of a Home Burglary in progress involving 3 male subjects. Upon arrival, 3 males fled eastbound across the back yard of the property. All 3 males (2 adults and 1 juvenile) were apprehended roughly 2 blocks away from the scene of the crime. All 3 males were criminally charged with 1st Degree Burglary. Please be advised that southern Prince George's County has sustained a rash of purse snatchings from vehicles as the female victims refuel at various gas stations. Ladies please be reminded not to leave your purse on the front seat or in sight as you refuel your vehicle. The Men and Women of the FHPD would like to wish all a very safe, happy, and prosperous holiday season as we look forward to "Moving Forward" into the new year.

From the Office of F.R. Webb, Chief of Police:

Missing

Citation

### FHPD Crime Report for the Month of November 2011

1 Possession of Stolen Property

Vehicle Impound	7 Intox	icated in Public	1
Arrest	5 Prope	erty Damage	2
Theft	7 Fleei	ng and Eluding	1
Urinating in Public	1 Moto	r Vehicle Tampering	1
I	Parking Vi	olations	
Unregistered with State of M	aryland	1 Reserved Parking	3
Maryland Uniform and Com	plaint	30 Blocking Sidewalk	1



POLICE STATION
5508 ARAPAHOE DRIVE
This Station is Opened to
the Public
Monday through Friday
8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

### Finger Printing

The Forest Heights Police Department 9 am - 3 pm Monday - Friday By Appointment Only \$20.00 per card Money Order Only 301-839-4040 1

### Letter from Mayor

### Greetings to All,

My holiday wish for the Town of Forest Heights is that we will keep those who are less fortunate in mind during this season. That we remember we can rise above any adverse situation by being kind to others, having a positive attitude and a thankful heart.

I would like to go into 2012 remembering a quote by Ralph Waldo Emerson "Finish each day and be done with it. You have done what you could; some blunders and absurdities no doubt crept in; forget them as soon as you can. Tomorrow is a new day and you shall begin it well and serenely". Praying that as a community we can begin to work together to help make Forest Heights a town that others would like to imitate.

Peace on Earth and Goodwill to All Mankind.

**Mayor Jacqueline Goodall** 

### Greetings Neighbors,

As December is once again upon us and we are looking at a New Year around the corner, I would like to thank each and everyone who has made a positive impact in Forest Heights and in life. It takes but a second to just say a kind word, lend a hand, or even an ear. It is easy to take for granted the things in life that we may not directly have a hand in. We should all cherish each moment and make the most positive impact in all that we do. 2011 has been a busy yet productive year and I look forward to 2012 being an even more prosperous and positive year. I encourage all of my neighbors (Forest Heights resident and all who read this) to do the same and to take a moment to reflect. We ALL can make a difference! Have a safe holiday season and a wonderful New Year!!

Your Councilman,

Jonathon Kennedy II

I commend Mayor, our entire Forest Heights' Police Department, Public Works, Administrative Staff, Councilman Barnes and Ms. Kathy Clark and her grandchildren for putting together a wonderful Halloween function for the kids. There was a surprising turn out and all had fun. Anyone who has an idea or would like to help in future event, please feel free to contact the Town Hall to see where help is needed.

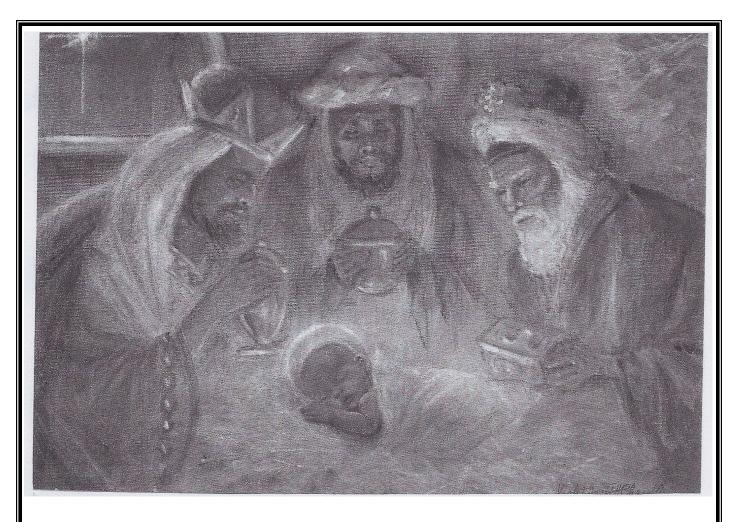
Councilman Jonathon Kennedy II

### Merry Christmas

### FROM THE TOWN EMPLOYEES

THE EMPLOYEES WISH ALL OUR RESIDENTS A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR. WE ARE PLEASED TO SERVE YOU AND EXPECT TO IMPROVE OUR SERVICE TO YOU DURING THE COMING YEAR. DURING THE PAST SIX MONTHS, MUCH HAS BEEN ACCOMPLISHED AS THE MAYOR, COUNCIL, EMPLOYEES AND CITIZENS COLLABORATED TO MOVE **FOREST HEIGHTS FORWARD**. THE COMING YEAR WILL BE CHALLENGING AS WELL. THE EMPLOYEES BELIEVE 2012 WILL BE A JOYFUL, PROSPEROUS, AND PRODUCTIVE YEAR IN FOREST HEIGHTS AS WE CONTINUE TO BE A TREND SETTER IN PRINCE GEORGES COUNTY. REMEMBER, WORK IS THE MASTER KEY THAT OPENS THE DOOR TO ALL OPPORTUNITIES.

VERN HAEFELE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR



# May you have the gift of faith the blessing of hope and the peace of His love at Christmas and always

Reverend Sterlin Anthony Powell
Saint Mark African Methodist Episcopal Church
5427 Indian Head Highway
Oxon Hill, Maryland 20745

Phone: 301.567.4129/E-mail:stmarkame@verizon.net

Worship Service Sunday 10 a.m.-12 noon

Church School Sunday 8:30 a.m.-9:45 a.m.

Hour of Power Wednesday 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Bible Study Wednesday 7:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.

Forest Heights December 2011

Paid Advertisement

### **Town Community News**



FREE BINGO 60+ Plus Club Thursday December 1st, 2011 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Free Bingo and prizes, come and join us at the Municipal Building.

Please bring your markers and your lucky charms but

### NO DOBBERS

### FREE FOOD DISTRIBUTED IN THE COUNTY

The Department of Social Services and the Capital Area Food Bank are working together to distribute free food in Prince George's County at the following location. (You must bring your own bags). Hours are 4 to 6 p.m. except at the Brandywine locations where the hours are from 4 to 7 p.m.



December 19th

Largo-The Blvd at the Capital Centre (Rear Parking Lot) 861 Capital Centre Blvd., Largo, MD 20774

December 20th

Brandywine-Gwynn Park High School (Dyson Road Parking Lot)

13800 Brandywine Road, Brandywine, MD 20613



### Special Volunteers and Holiday Cheer!

This year's Annual Volunteer Award Ceremony and Holiday
Party will be held on December 17
at the New Carrollton Municipal Center
Watch your mail for more details—join us for a great time!

### National Christmas Tree



Christmas trees started in the Middle East. Americans saw their first Christmas tree in Pennsylvania during the Revolutionary War. About 1777 prisoners-of-war decorated an evergreen tree in their Carlisle Barracks. The National Christmas Tree of the United States started with a committee meeting in November 1913. President Woodrow Wilson took a great interest in the planning and decided this will be

a national event. Evening of December 24, 1913, over 20,000 people including dignitaries and elected official gathered at the East Portico of The United States Capitol to celebrate with family and friends by watching the lighting of the First National Christmas Tree. Entertainment included the United States Marine Band, thousands of local choral groups and actors in costume posing in a series of tableaux depicting the Christmas story. One of the most popular yuletide sights is the National Christmas Tree lighting, located in the northeast quadrant of the ellipse. The vent is still celebrated with entertainment, lighted trees from each state and live animals.

Thought- Share and spread your Christmas spirit year around.

### GIVE A GIFT THIS HOLIDAY SEASON



Forest Heights having a Coat, Food and Toys Drive

Come bring your gift today 5508 Arapahoe Drive Forest Heights



### FOREST HEIGHTS LEAF COLLECTION PROGRAM

Once again we are approaching the leaf collection season. Help us keep our Town looking sharp and we will all benefit.

### Remember:

Yard waste will be collected only on Wednesday

The yard waste may be set out Tuesday night or early Wednesday morning

Residents will be cited if the yard waste is set out at other times

Leaves must be bagged

Please do not place or blow leaves and grass in the street or storm drain

Residents are urged to keep up with the leaf collection on a weekly or bi-weekly basis

Leaves can be a healthy compost for your garden, especially if using an outdoor composter

Leaves left on the yard are unsightly, hard to clean up in the spring and can suffocate the grass.

Branches must be cut into lengths no longer than 4 ft. and Bundled

Thank you for helping us keep our Town Looking Sharp!



### Town Community News (continued)

### **Prince George's One Stop Career Center**

will be here December 20, 2011 Looking for a job or just want to Change Career Please call today to get on the list seats are limited! 301-839-1030



### **Lost Dog**

Black & Tan Terrier Found on



November 23, 2011 Please call 301-467-7566

### **FLU SEASON**



CVS, Safeway & Giant offers flu shots at discounted rates

Last day to register for **Medicare Part D** (prescription drug plan) is December 7. Citizens can

change or enroll at www.Medicare.gov

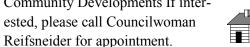




### FREE HOME MAKEOVER

The Weatherization Assistance Program WAP operated by the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Developments If inter-









Looking for people like you!





301-839-1146 or 301 839 1030





Join the 60+ Plus volunteer committee.



### TOWN OF FOREST HEIGHTS



JEWELRY SALE

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2011 8:30 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.



Products always safe, pure & guaranteed results! Distributorships available full or part-time Free on-the-job training for eager individuals

Unlimited Income, Cars, Trips, Health Insurance No deliveries, no experience necessary Please contact Floyd & Lonna Swann

at 301 567 1905

Email: Healthierlife-4U@shakelee.net www.SwannsOnTheMove.com

### Town Community News (continued)

ARE YOU GETTING YOUR MONTHLY NEWSLETTER?

IF YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW IN

FOREST HEIGHTS HAS NOT RECEIVED THE

NEWSLETTER, PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE

DURING BUSINESS HOURS. (301) 839-1030.

The Town of Forest Heights
Neighborhood Watch
Meeting
Wednesday,
December 7, 2011
7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Become a member





Reminder for Residents that

Signed up for

60 + Holiday Dinner at Municipal Bldg.

Wednesday December 7th
1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Call 301 839-1146 or 301 839-3131



Need Something to Do while on your Holiday Vacation?

AMF BOWLING

MARLOW HEIGHTS LANE

FREE TICKET

Call today to get on the list

**DECEMBER 28, 2011** 

301-839-1030

2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.





### Forest Heights 60+ Club

Invites you on a Silver Excursion Cruise for as low as \$582/per person

Royal Caribbean Enchantment of the Seas Sets Sail November 10<sup>th</sup> 2012 Return November 17<sup>th</sup> 7 Night Bahamas Cruise Departing from Baltimore, MD

Port of Calls Baltimore, MD, Port Canaveral, FL, Nassau, Coco cay Bahamas A Getaway just for you!

Inside Staterooms -\$582/per person (2 per room)

Outside Staterooms \$712/per person (2 per room)

Balcony-\$798/per person (3 per room) or \$1032/per person (2 per room)

Relax in luxury in the Deluxe Suite-\$941/pp (3 per room)

Transportation to Baltimore Harbor and taxes included

Ask about other room options

Reserve your trip today-\$75.00/per person

Payments over an 8 month period final payment due August 1, 2012

As little as \$65.00 per month

Call today Town office at 301-839-1030 or Ms. Cathy Clark 301 567-5780



(Payment Due by December 15, 2011)

Must me 18 years or older

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Local
Post Customer

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### Town Community News (continued)

SHARE FOOD NETWORK December 2011 Holiday Packages *Menus Subject to Change*PARTICIPACIÓN DE LA RED DE ALIMENTOS 12 2011 Paquetes de vacaciones

Order by December 2, 2011 Pick up Saturday December 17, 2011 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. NOTE CASH ONLY

Package "A" <u>Value Package</u>	Package "B" <u>Honey Baked Ham</u>	Package "C" <u>Value Package plus</u> Turkey (12-14 lbs)
Whole Chicken		Whole Chicken
Fish Fillets		Fish Fillets
Beef Sandwich Steak	Cook's 8-9 lb, Honey-Cured Spiral-Cut Ham	Beef Sandwich Steak
Breakfast Sausage	Bone-in, Vacuum Packed & Wrapped in Gold Foil	Breakfast Sausage
Chocolate Cake	This Top-of-the Line Ham Retails for \$45.00.	Chocolate Cake
Stuffing Mix		Stuffing Mix
Sweet Potatoes		Sweet Potatoes
Potatoes		Potatoes
Onions		Onions
3-4 more delicious fruits and vegetables		3-4 more delicious fruits and vegetables
\$20.00	\$27.00	\$38.00

Orden de 02 de diciembre 2011 Elige el sábado 17 de diciembre 2011 10:30 a.m. a 11:30 a.m. NOTA SOLO EFECTIVO

Paquete "A" Valor del paquete	Paquete "B" Honey Baked Jamon	Pacquete "C" Valor del paquete junto con Turquia
Pollo entero	9.8 libras de Cook, Honey-curado espiral corte de jamon	Pollo entero
Filetes de Pescado	Con hueso, envasada al vacio y envueltos en una lamina de oro	Filetes de Pescado
Bistec Sandwich	Esta camiseta de la linea de ventas al por menor de Jamon \$	Bistec Sandwich
Pastel de chocolate		Pastel de chocolate
Mezcle el relleno		Mezcle el relleno
Las patatas dulces		Las patatas dulces
Patatas		Patatas
Cebollas		Cebollas
4.4 mas frutas y verduras deliciosas		4.4 mas frutas y verduras deliciosas
\$20.00	\$27.00	\$38.00

NOTE: IF ORDER IS NOT PICKED UP IT WILL BE GIVEN AWAY WE ARE NOT RESPONSIBLE.

# MAYOR AND COUNCIL THE TOWN OF FOREST HEIGHTS ORDINANCE NO. 17 - 11

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF FOREST HEIGHTS, MARYLAND AMENDING ARTICLE 3 (BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION REGULATIONS AND CODES FOR LAND USE) OF THE TOWN ORDINANCE CODE, BY PROVIDING FOR THE REGISTRATION OF VACANT BUILDINGS AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS OF VACANT STRUCTURE OR BUILDING OWNERS INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO THE PAYMENT OF CERTAIN FEES; BY FURTHER REQUIRING BUILDING BOARDING (SEALING) PERMITS WITH A SHOWING OF GOOD CAUSE, AND PROVIDING FOR CERTAIN EXCEPTIONS THERETO, AND BY ESTABLISHING CERTAIN STANDARDS PERTAINING THERETO; AND BY FURTHER PROVIDING FOR THE REGISTRATION OF VACANT LOTS AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS PERTAINING THERETO; AND PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF CERTAIN FEES WITH CERTAIN EXCEPTIONS; AND, PROVIDING FOR ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS OF CERTAIN DECISIONS OF THE CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER PURSUANT TO THIS ORDINANCE, AND ESTABLISHING CERTAIN PENALTIES BY MUNICIPAL INFRACTION FOR VIOLATIONS OF SAID ORDINANCE, AND BY DECLARING CERTAIN COSTS AND PENALTIES TO BE A LIEN ON THE PROPERTY COLLECTIBLE IN THE SAME MANNER AS REAL ESTATE TAXES; AND, GENERALLY RELATING TO BUILDINGS, STRUCTURES, AND LOTS AND PROPERTY MAINTENANCE STANDARDS. (passed 11/30/2011)

UNA ORDENANZA DEL ALCALDE Y EL CONSEJO DE LA CIUDAD DE LOS BOSQUES Heights, Maryland se modifica el artículo 3 (reglamentos de construcción y CONSTRUCCIÓN Y CÓDIGOS DE USO DE LA TIERRA) DEL CÓDIGO DE LA ORDENANZA DE LA CIUDAD, mediante el establecimiento de la inscripción de los edificios vacíos y otros requisitos de ESTRUCTURA vacante o Propietarios de edificios INCLUYENDO PERO NO LIMITADO AL PAGO DE CUOTAS DE CIERTAS, POR MÁS QUE REQUIEREN DE EMBARQUE DE CONSTRUCCION (sellado) Permisos con una demostración de buena causa, y establecer determinadas excepciones MISMO, y el establecimiento de ciertas normas al respecto; Y POR MAYOR PARA EL SUMINISTRO DE REGISTRO DE terrenos baldíos y otros requisitos relativos a ellos; Y PROVEYENDO PARA EL PAGO DE CUOTAS DE CIERTAS con ciertas excepciones, y, previendo lo Contencioso Administrativo DE DETERMINADAS DECISIONES DEL OFICIAL DE CUMPLIMIENTO DEL CÓDIGO DE ACUERDO CON ESTA ORDENANZA, y establecer determinadas sanciones por infracción MUNICIPAL PARA VIOLACIÓnes de dicho ordenamiento, y al declarar ciertos costos y sanciones un gravamen sobre la COLECCIONABLE DE PROPIEDAD EN LA MISMA MANERA COMO impuestos de bienes raíces;. Y, suelen aplicarse a los edificios, estructuras, y las porciones y las normas de propiedad MANTENIMIENTO (pasado 11/30 / 2011)

# MAYOR AND COUNCIL THE TOWN OF FOREST HEIGHTS ORDINANCE NO. 18 - 11

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF FOREST HEIGHTS, MARYLAND AMENDING ARTICLE 13 (NUISANCES, MORALS AND CONDUCT) OF THE TOWN ORDINANCE CODE BY ADDING NEW SECTION 13.8 (UNAUTHORIZED PLACEMENT OF SIGNS ON STATE HIGHWAYS), TO AUTHORIZE THE REMOVAL AND DESTRUCTION OF SIGNS PLACED WITHIN OR ALONG STATE HIGHWAYS LOCATED WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF FOREST HEIGHTS, AND TO OTHERWISE CONTROL AND MINIMIZE THE UNAUTHORIZED PLACEMENT OF COMMERCIAL AND NONCOMMERCIAL SIGNS WITHIN THE STATE HIGHWAYS AS AUTHORIZED BY STATE STATUTE IN ORDER TO PROTECT THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELFARE, AND TO PREVENT DISTRACTIONS TO DRIVERS, MINIMIZE THE UNNECESSARY ACCUMULATION OF LITTER AND ENABLE THE REMOVAL OF UNSIGHTLY HANDBILLS POSTED ON UTILITY POLES; AND TO IMPROVE THE GENERAL APPEARANCE OF THE TOWN; AND TO ESTABLISH ENFORCEMENT PROCEDURES, REQUIREMENTS, LATE FEES AND CIVIL PENALTIES PERTAINING THERETO, AND GENERALLY RELATING TO SIGN CONTROL, PUBLIC SAFETY AND PUBLIC NUISANCES. (passed 11/30/2011)

UNA ORDENANZA DEL ALCALDE Y EL CONSEJO DE LA CIUDAD DE LOS BOSQUES Heights, Maryland se modifica el artículo 13 (molestias, moral y la conducta) DEL CÓDIGO DE LA ORDENANZA DE CIUDAD NUEVA agregando la sección 13.8 (colocación no autorizado de signos en las carreteras estatales), para autorizar el retiro y la DESTRUCCIÓN DE SEÑALES colocado dentro oa lo largo de carreteras estatales localizadas en los límites SOCIAL DE LA CIUDAD DE LAS ALTURAS DE LOS BOSQUES, Y PARA EL CONTROL DE OTRA MANERA Y REDUCIR LA COLOCACIÓN no autorizado de signos comerciales y no comerciales DENTRO DE LAS AUTOPISTAS DEL ESTADO AL AUTORIZADO POR LA LEY ESTATAL PARA PROTEGER AL PÚBLICO SALUD, SEGURIDAD Y BIENESTAR, y para evitar distracciones a los conductores, MINIMIZAR la acumulación innecesaria de basura y permitir la eliminación de volantes feos PUBLICADOS en postes de electricidad, y para mejorar la apariencia general de la ciudad, y establecer procedimientos de aplicación, REQUISITOS, TARDE las tasas y sanciones Civil relativos al mismo, ya que suelen aplicarse a FIRME DE CONTROL, seguridad pública y molestias a la población. (aprobado 30/11/2011)